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VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

The Honorable Jocelyn G. Boyd
Chief Clerk and Administrator
Public Service Commission of South Carolina
101 Executive Center Drive
Columbia, South Carolina 29210

RE: Request for Approval of a Contract for Electric Service between South Carolina Electric & Gas Company and Owen Electric Steel of South Carolina d/b/a CMC Steel f/k/a SMI Steel – Amendment to Contracts
Docket No. 1997-294-E

Dear Ms. Boyd:

This is to acknowledge that the Office of Regulatory Staff reviewed the filing in the above referenced Docket, discussed it with South Carolina Electric & Gas Company's ("Company") personnel, and has no objection to the filing. The Request pertains to the two contracts for electric service between the Company and Owen Electric Steel of South Carolina d/b/a CMC Steel f/k/a SMI Steel which relate to service to the Arc Furnace and to the Rolling Mill.

The Amendments to the two contracts are for identical purposes that extend the contract terms for an additional three year period through December 31, 2016 as well as include provisions on creditworthiness and assignability. The rates and charges previously approved remain unchanged.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide our comments in this matter.

Sincerely,


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